

Jeremiah 17:7

“Blessed *is* the man
that trusteth in the
LORD, and whose
hope the LORD is.”

The Book of Jeremiah

The longest book in the Holy Bible.
In the original language it has
33,002 words.

Some scholars say that Jeremiah
taught beginning in 629 BC and in
571 wrote his last chapter (44),
which was a 60 year span.

Repentance Required

Over and over again the prophet stresses that the nation of Judah is a “backsliding” people (13 times). The Hebrews have “committed iniquity” (or sin, transgression, etc.—53 times against Jehovah.

Outline of the book of Jeremiah

- 1 The Call of Jeremiah**
- 2 - 6 The depravity of Judah**
- 7- 10 The illusions of Temple Security**
- 11 – 12 Jeremiah's complaint over his own miserable estate and the infidelity of the Jews of the covenant**

Outline of the book of Jeremiah

- 13 – 25** More on signs of impending doom. 70 weeks prophecy
- 26 – 39** Prophecies on reigns of last kings of Judah. Future Kingdom
- 40 – 41** Events in Judah after captivity
- 42 – 51** Prophecy when Jeremiah was in Egypt.
- 52** Summary of the captivity of Judah

One Scholar's Chronological order of the chapters of Jeremiah

Chapter Number and Year:

2	629 BC
46-51	617 BC
3 – 9, 18, 26	612 BC
1, 10, 19-20, 25, 35, 36	607 BC
16 -17	604 BC
11-13, 28-33, 44	599 - 571 BC

Themes: “Return”, “Scattered” “Captivity”

...She should thus “return” (47 times) to the Lord. Because of their sins, the people of Judah would be “scattered” (14 times) and held “captive,” or be in “captivity” (51 times) by the Babylonians. The Babylonians are referred to more times in the book of Jeremiah than in the balance of the Bible combined.

Doctrine! Prophecy! Walk!



DOCTRINE: Many references to Covenant which is doctrinal and prophetical

PROPHECY: Jeremiah many times made predictions of near future events and some to be fulfilled many centuries later.

WALK: Judah was condemned repeatedly for her pervasive disobedience.

Prophecies of Restoration!



In the book of
Jeremiah three
restoration
prophecies are
stated.

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Basic Time Line of Scripture



4000 B.C. Adam and Eve

2400 B.C. Noah

2000 B.C. Abraham

1500 B.C. Moses and Children of Israel

1000 B.C. King David

600 B.C. Jeremiah, Ezekiel, Daniel and others

3 B.C. Jesus Christ Born

30 - 33 A.D. Ministry of Jesus Christ

98 A.D. Revelation given to The Apostle John

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- 98 A.D. Revelation given to The Apostle John
- 320 A.D. Constantine ruler of East and West
- 540 A.D. Justinian Code all to be Catholics
- 570 – 630 A.D. Mahommed
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- 606 A.D. Phocus made the Pope Uni. Bishop
- 1100 - 1300 A.D. Crusades
- 1230 - ?? AD Catholic Inquisitions
- 1790 A.D. French Revolution

Basic Time Line of Scripture



- 1860 A.D. Pope Lost Temporal – Nation Power
- 1897 A.D. First Zionist Conference.
- 1917 A.D. Palestine liberated from Turks.
- 1940 – 45 A.D. WW II First Atomic Bombs used.
- 1948 A.D. Israel Declared Statehood
- 1964 A.D. PLO established
- 1967 A.D. Jerusalem Liberated Six Day War.
- 1979 A.D. Israeli – Egyptian Peace Treaty
- 2006 A.D. 8 Nations have acquired nuc weapons

Nebuchadnezzar made three invasions into Israel

605 BC: Daniel and his three faithful companions and some others of the court were taken to Babylon.

597 BC: 10,000 were taken including Ezekiel

586 BC: More were taken to Babylon, Jerusalem was burned, the Temple destroyed and Temple objects were taken to Babylon. Jeremiah remained in Judah and later went to Egypt.

The Call of Jeremiah



Jeremiah Chapter 1

Appears to have been written in 610 BC some 20 years after Jeremiah began his prophet work. At the time of his call from Yahweh, he was 14 years old and Josiah had been king 13 years, having become king at 8 years of age.

Jeremiah faced a large task



At age 19 (629 BC) God directed Jeremiah to be very forthright with the Two Southern Tribes, that is Benjamin and Judah, who had fallen into same abominable practices as their heathen neighbors. Jeremiah realized that the request made of him would be a large task and that he would meet much opposition from his very own countrymen, Children of Israel, (C of I).

Southern Tribes had only 3 “good Kings” of 20 who ruled them



The three kings that are considered good kings are Jehoshaphat (870 to 848 BC), Hezekiah (716 to 687 BC), and Josiah (641 to 609 BC).

Israel's Forgetfulness !



In the book titled, Jeremiah, by English Christadelphian, C.C. Walker, he titles chapter 2, “God’s memory and Israel’s Forgetfulness – a nation changing its gods”.

Is The Majority Always Right ?



Since the majority of the Children of Israel practiced such things, was it the correct thing to do? Isn't the majority right? NO! NO! NO!; not necessarily, the majority is not right unless >>>>>

The Book of The Law related by Aaron and Moses Lost !!



It is difficult for us to imagine that the Book of the Law had been lost. We have to wonder if it was lost on purpose, to allow the C of I license, at least in their own minds to turn to idolatry or was is gradually disregarded until it was not followed or consulted at all by the priests.

Teach diligently to thy Children !



Deuteronomy 6:7 And thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children, and shalt talk of them when thou sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way, and when thou liest down, and when thou risest up.

Instructions for the People of God are for the Generations



**Although the instructions
were given to their Fathers
some 800 years before
Jeremiah preached, they
were still to be followed.**

**Jeremiah 2:5 The C of I walked
after vanity.**



**Thus saith the LORD, What
iniquity have your fathers found
in me, that they are gone far
from me, and have walked after
vanity, and are become vain?
A Process is indicated by the
word “Become”.**

Psalm 39:5



“Behold, thou hast made my days as an handbreadth; and mine age is as nothing before thee: verily every man at his best state is altogether vanity. Selah”.

Corrupt Leadership !



The priests, the very leaders were corrupt before God and the people. Those in authority, who should have set the proper example, rather are denounced.

**At best the leaders were partial
with God's instructions**



**Malachi 2:9 Therefore have I
also made you contemptible
and base before all the
people, according as ye have
not kept my ways, but have
been partial in the law.**

**The C of I were without Excuse
regardless of poor leadership**



**No excuse could be offered
which would absolve them of
their wrong. God would not
negoiate it, nor debate it,
their Fathers had already
been informed and they**

**The C of I were without Excuse
regardless of poor leadership**



**They should have been
informed by their Fathers that
God meant what he said. Their
only hope was to repent, then
continue in the “Right Way” but
Oh, how they desired the idols
of their neighbors.**

Question for Spiritual Israel



**Can we be
absolved of our
Individual
Misbehavior ?**

The C of I set aside Yahweh for other Gods. Jeremiah 2:9-12.

In this set of verses, God condemns Israel, this time He tells them, you have changed your Gods, but the idolatrous nations have not. God reproves them, whereby He as much as Jeremiah said, *you had me for your God, but I was not good enough, you set me aside for other gods.*

Make no mention of Heathen gods !



It was such a serious matter that the C of I refrain to desire or give any credit to the Heathen gods, in Ex 23:13, we read, “13 And in all things that I have said unto you be circumspect: and make no mention of the name of other gods, neither let it be heard out of thy mouth.

**Israel said to a tree or a pole
Thou are my father**



**Israel was not slaves or
servants of other nations,
and it is unreasonable that
they should be in servitude
to any other nation.**

Israel was impatient and played “politics” with their neighbors



It appears that one reason the people initially would sacrifice to the idol gods of their abhorrent neighbors was to gain favor with other nations that served those other gods, so that they could make alliances with those other nations, particularly if they needed protection from a hostile foe.

Death to any Israelite who enticed a fellow Jew to serve other gods

In Deut. 13, verses 6 thru 9 instructed the C of I to kill anyone who would entice them to serve other gods. This included thy own brother, thy own son or daughter and even thy own wife.

Idolatry in every city

Jeremiah 2:23

If God had not cared for them, after they had greatly fallen, He would not have sent Jeremiah. So they are charged here with having a god in every city, they made no attempt to hide their idolatry.

**Make us a king to judge
us like all the nations.**



**They failed to fully appreciate the
fact that they already were the
only nation that God had chosen,
and that to this time Yahweh had
remained faithful to them for
almost 900 years to this time.**

Israel was as “Sottish Children”

“For my people is foolish, they have not known me; they are sottish children, and they have none understanding: they are wise to do evil, but to do good they have no knowledge.”

Near Total Destruction

Jeremiah 4: 23 - 31

A pronouncement upon Judah is described in much detail and the destruction is to be so wide that it will appear that the earth has become “without form and void.”

Jeremiah 6:16



Ask for the old paths, where is the good way, and walk therein, and ye shall find rest for your souls. But they said, We will not walk therein.

Jeremiah 9:23-24



“Thus saith the LORD, let not the wise man glory in his wisdom, neither let the mighty man glory in his might, let not the rich man glory in his riches: But let him that glorieth glory in this, that he understandeth and knoweth me, that I am the LORD which exercise lovingkindness, judgment, and righteousness, in the earth: for in these things I delight saith the LORD.”

Jeremiah 18:12 and Genesis 6:5



“And they said, There is no hope: but we will walk after our own devices, and we will every one do the imagination of his evil heart.”

This should remind us of what God said in the times of Noah.

The threat of imprisonment should not cause us to compromise



Let us be reminded of how important it is for us to not be taken in by the crowd and popular philosophy and commensurate behavior. Let us do as Jeremiah did, that is he followed the instructions of God. We are to follow God regardless of the cost.

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Moralists Decry Jeremiah Chapter 10



Many educated would have us believe that mankind (although he is fallen), can guide his steps, can control his own destiny, but Scripture in no uncertain terms informs us that this is far from truth.

Jeremiah 10:23-25



“O LORD, I know the way of man is not in himself: it is not in man that walketh to direct his steps. O LORD, correct me, but with judgment; not in thine anger, lest thou bring me to nothing. Pour out thy fury upon the heathen that know thee not, and upon the families that call not upon thy name; for they have eaten up Jacob, and devoured him, and consumed him, and have made his habitation desolate.”

Some of The C of I were most egregious in their worship of Baal



**Jeremiah 19: 4...have filled this place with the blood of innocents;
5 They have built also the high places of Baal, to burn their sons with fire for burnt offerings unto Baal, which I commanded not, nor spake it, neither came it into my mind:”**

Yahweh has the final say and He will accomplish His purpose



We might tend to think that fallen mankind has the final say about things, but it is quite clear that the leaders of the C of I did not have the final say, rather, God in Heaven did and does to all future.

The Almighty “rising early and sending” His Prophets



Benson's Commentary >>> “A metaphor taken from persons who, being diligent in their business, are wont to rise up early; as if he had said, I not only spoke to you by my prophets, but they, in my name, made all possible haste, and used all possible diligence to reclaim you, continually and carefully preventing you with remonstrances; employing with all possible attention severity and softness, promises and threats; but all to no purpose.” (Emphasis added)

God holds His own servants to strict accountability



For those who think that God is a good friend and always forgives His own people, I really wonder how they explain this passage. As we have stated so often, God is serious about His word, and His own people are held to strict accountability.

The Deadly Sword of Yahweh



Jeremiah 25:29, “A sword upon all the inhabitants of the earth.”

How in contrast the word of God is to “Humanists” whose motto is, man is the measure”.

Nuclear Weapons in the “Latter Days” !



It was reported that the USSR and the USA in the early 1980s had enough nuclear weapons to destroy all plant and animal life on earth 50 times over.

The destructive power of Nuclear Weapons we believe to be a most serious matter in the present days.

Our Creator is Great and Above all None is Like Him !



As brethren of Christ we should reflect upon and say, Our Creator is Great, how mighty are His works and how blessed we are to know these things and to be allowed to study them together without intrusion from those who have a different understanding than we.

Jeremiah 16:19



“O LORD, my strength, and my fortress,
and my refuge in the day of affliction,
the Gentiles shall come unto thee from
the ends of the earth, and shall say,
Surely our fathers have inherited lies,
vanity, and things wherein there is no
profit.”

Jeremiah 17:9-10



“The Heart is deceitful above all things and desperately wicked; who can know it. I the LORD search the heart, I try the reins, even to give every man according to his ways, and according to the fruit of his doings.”

God knows our thoughts afar off



Only God and the individual himself can know his own mind. We barely really know the mind and heart of another. The best we can know is based on the words and actions of another, but what is not spoken or what is not done that really would reveal the heart and mind of others.

Eternal life or Eternal death will be the fate of mankind individually



One is unable to be passive or indifferent and escape judgment (in most cases Adamic Condemnation from the time of birth) . Will one be okay if he simply choses to disregard God? Hardly !

Scripture teaches that a person will serve God or perish eternally.

Jeremiah Chapter 29



**WHAT DOES
IT TAKE FOR
A PEOPLE TO
HEAR ?**

Liberty! Equality! Fraternity!



This sounds like a society that has a “Live and Let Live” (laissez-faire) philosophy, one that scarcely considers God’s word and those who do so, have their voices drowned out by the political, vocal and carefree populous.

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A contingent of Natural Israel has an appointed place in God's Eternal Kingdom.



We again see without question that Israel was never to be totally destroyed by her enemies, God's plan for the future had and still has a special place for His People Israel.

2015: Big Rift Between Israeli and United States Administrations !



This year, 2015 has experienced a big rift between Israel and the administration of the US government. It could be that the final stage is in process to be set for Israel to become without another nation on earth to support them.

Jeremiah 46:28 and 31:11



“Fear thou not, O Jacob my servant, saith the LORD: for I *am* with thee; for I will make a **full end** of all the nations whither I have driven thee: but I will not make a **full end** of thee, but correct thee in measure; yet will I not leave thee wholly unpunished.”

Jeremiah 31:33

“But this *shall be* the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel; After those days, saith the LORD, I will put my law in their inward parts, and write it in their hearts; and will be their God, and they shall be my people.”

Jeremiah 23:5-6



“Behold the days come, saith the LORD that I will raise unto David a righteous Branch, and a King shall reign and prosper, and shall execute judgment and justice in the earth, In his days Judah shall be saved, and Israel shall dwell safely: and this is his name whereby he shall be called, THE LORD OUR RIGHTEOUSNESS.”

Remaining Nations Will see the Salvation of God



Jeremiah 33:9: The nations of the peoples will themselves see the tremendous and great power of God, by His actions through Jesus and the Saints and initially, they will tremble in total ignorance, disbelief and fear.

Jeremiah 33: 20-21



.....that there should not be day and night in their season; Then may also my covenant be broken with David my servant, that he should not have a son to reign upon his throne ...

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Closing Comments



It is made clear from the teachings of Our Master Himself that servants who stay true to their Lord have to be on guard continually so that they “quench all the fiery darts of the wicked”, so that we remain “totally focused” on our “High Calling”, as was spoken by Paul in Eph. 6:16.

Closing Comments



Given the teaching by Jesus to 'count the cost' and given the commitment that one has to make to serve Him, it should be no surprise that those who wish to come under the everlasting covenant by baptism must understand that the **servants of Jesus are bought, that is redeemed with a price, WHICH is His precious blood, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot:"** (1 Pet. 1:18-19)

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1 Cor. 6:19 – 20, “What? know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost which is in you, which ye have of God, and ye are not your own? 20 **For ye are bought with a price:** therefore glorify God in your body, and in your spirit, which are God's.”

Closing Comments

1 Peter 2:23 Who, when he was reviled reviled not again; when he suffered, he threatened not; but **committed** *himself* to Him that judgeth righteously:

Jesus did more than make a commitment – He Committed Himself.

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But committed himself; but either may be well supplied, and the sense is, Christ did not retaliate, nor act any thing out of private revenge, but so referred to himself, and the judgment of his cause, to his Father's good pleasure, as rather to desire pardon for his persecutors, than vengeance on them.

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We are unable to express strongly enough the importance placed upon the fact that one must, “commit himself or herself” forevermore to service in the Lord’s vineyard, when he comes into covenant relationship, that is, in this era through the ‘waters of baptism’.

We are to be active in “The Vineyard” of Yahweh



It is not okay to just not sin! We are not to be neutral, passive or independent, rather, we are to be active and positive and passionate about God’s word. We are to study and consider and work on those things which do profit.

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